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CLERK: I have nothing at this time, Mr. President, although I believe there's one forthcoming. Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend. On page 1, line 21, put the period after the word "Service" and strike the remainder of the sentence. (FA868, Legislative Journal page 764.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Senator Coordsen, I'm going to read it again so that you can follow me. Do you have your amendment before you? On page 1, in line 21, I would put a period after "Service", then strike the remainder of the sentence, and these are the words that would be stricken: "or as published by other state or federal agencies." And this is what would be left with the language stricken that I'm trying to deal with in my amendment: "Average cropping patterns, crop yields, and crop prices by county shall be obtained from the Nebraska Crop and Livestock Reporting Service. Crop price information shall include federal support information derived from United States Department of Agriculture statistics per county." So the only thing I'm striking is what I consider surplusage contained in the words "or as published by other state or federal agencies." And to engage you in a discussion, as we had when the language was stricken above, are you aware of other state or federal agencies which would give authoritative information of the kind contained in subdivision (b) which would be ...

SENATOR COORDSEN: I believe that it would be accurate to say that there are entities within the University Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources that do, in fact, make surveys and publish information that might have a title different from the Nebraska Crop and Livestock Reporting Service. I do not have, for an example, the title under which the Agriculture Statistics Division of the University publishes their annual survey of...of a variety of things, including cash rents across the county where...across the country where in each county individuals employed by the University of Nebraska survey real estate agents and other knowledgeable people. There's a survey of land sales that is...that is accomplished by the same